CLAIMS

- 1. A Christmas tree decoration organizer comprising:
- a box having a bottom and upwardly extending opposing sides and end walls, terminating in a rim;
- a plurality of ornament hangers having opposing ends, removably coupled within the box, the plurality of ornament hangers extending between the opposing sides in a spaced apart parallel relationship, and suspended above the bottom;

an ornament tray removably positioned within the box and supported above the plurality of ornament hangers;

- a separator panel removably positioned covering the ornament tray and defining a light compartment bounded by upper portions of the opposing sides and end walls, and the rim of the box; and
 - a cover removable engaging the rim and closing the box.
 - 2. A Christmas tree decoration organizer as claimed in

claim 1 wherein the ornament tray includes dividers separating it into a plurality of compartments.

- 3. A Christmas tree decoration organizer as claimed in claim 1 further including coupling members coupling the plurality of ornament hangers to the box.
- 4. A Christmas tree decoration organizer as claimed in claim 3 wherein the coupling members each include an anchor portion positioned at an outer surface of the opposing sides of the box, a keeper clip positioned on an inner surface of opposing sides of the box, the keeper clip attached to the anchor portion, each keeper clip removably receiving an end of one of the plurality of ornament hangers.
- 5. A Christmas tree decoration organizer as claimed in claim 4 wherein the keeper clip includes pegs extending therefrom, through apertures formed in the opposing sides of the box, the pegs received in keyhole apertures formed through anchor members and securely held in position.

- 6. A Christmas tree decoration organizer as claimed in claim 4 wherein the ends of each ornament hanger include tabs extending therefrom for receipt within a slot having an open top formed in the keeper clips.
- 7. A Christmas tree decoration organizer as claimed in claim 3 wherein the coupling members include inner side braces positioned within the box, each overlying an inner surface of the opposing sides and extending past the top of the bulk storage space to the bottom of a desired position of the ornament tray, an upper edge of each side brace includes slots formed therein to receive ends of the ornament hangers.

- 8. A Christmas tree decoration organizer comprising:
- a box having a bottom and upwardly extending opposing sides and end walls, terminating in a rim;
- a plurality of ornament hangers having opposing ends, removably coupled within the box, the plurality of ornament hangers extending between the opposing sides in a spaced apart parallel relationship, and suspended above the bottom for receiving and supporting a plurality of hanging ornaments;
- a bulk storage space for storing outermost decorations of a Christmas tree, the bulk storage space defined by the bottom, lower portions of the opposing sides and the end walls, and the plurality of ornament hangers;
- an ornament tray including dividers separating the ornament tray into a plurality of compartments, the ornament tray removably positioned within the box and supported above the plurality of ornament hangers for receiving and holding a plurality of Christmas tree ornaments;
- a separator panel removably positioned covering the ornament tray and defining a light compartment bounded by upper

portions of the opposing sides and end walls, and the rim of the box for holding bundles of Christmas tree lights; and

a cover removable engaging the rim and closing the box.

- 9. A Christmas tree decoration organizer as claimed in claim 8 further including coupling members coupling the plurality of ornament hangers to the box.
- 10. A Christmas tree decoration organizer as claimed in claim 9 wherein the coupling members each include an anchor portion positioned at an outer surface of the opposing sides of the box, a keeper clip positioned on an inner surface of opposing sides of the box, the keeper clip attached to the anchor portion, each keeper clip removably receiving an end of one of the plurality of ornament hangers.
- 11. A Christmas tree decoration organizer as claimed in claim 10 wherein the keeper clip includes pegs extending therefrom, through apertures formed in the opposing sides of the box, the pegs received in keyhole apertures formed through

anchor members and securely held in position.

- 12. A Christmas tree decoration organizer as claimed in claim 10 wherein the ends of each ornament hanger include tabs extending therefrom for receipt within a slot having an open top formed in the keeper clips.
- 13. A Christmas tree decoration organizer as claimed in claim 9 wherein the coupling members include inner side braces positioned within the box, each overlying an inner surface of the opposing sides and extending past the top of the bulk storage space to the bottom of a desired position of the ornament tray, an upper edge of each side brace includes slots formed therein to receive ends of the ornament hangers.

14. A method of sequentially storing Christmas tree decorations for ease in subsequent decoration of a Christmas tree, comprising the steps of:

providing a box having a bottom and upwardly extending opposing sides and end walls, terminating in a rim;

positioning coupling members at the opposing sides of the box for receiving a plurality of ornament hangers having opposing ends;

removing outer decorations from a Christmas tree and placing them in a bulk storage space defined by the bottom, lower portions of the opposing sides and the end walls;

removing hanging ornaments from a Christmas tree and hanging them on the plurality of ornament hangers;

positioning the plurality of ornament hangers between the opposing sides in a spaced apart parallel relationship supported by the coupling members and suspended above the bulk storage space;

removing additional ornaments and placing them in an

ornament tray;

positioning the ornament tray within the box and supported above the plurality of ornament hangers;

placing a separator panel overlying and covering the ornament tray to define a light compartment bounded by upper portions of the opposing sides and end walls, and the rim of the box;

Placing bundles of Christmas tree lights removed from the Christmas tree onto the separator panel within the light compartment; and

Placing a cover over the rim, closing the box.

15. A method as claimed in claim 14 wherein the step of positioning coupling members includes providing anchor portions positioned at an outer surface of the opposing sides of the box, providing keeper clips positioned on an inner surface of opposing sides of the box, the keeper clips attached to the anchor portions.

- 16. A method as claimed in claim 15 wherein the step of positioning the plurality of ornament hangers includes coupling ends thereof between keeper clips on the opposing sides.
- 17. A method as claimed in claim 14 wherein the step of positioning coupling members includes providing inner side braces positioned within the box, each overlying an inner surface of the opposing sides and extending past the top of the bulk storage space to the bottom of a desired position of the ornament tray, an upper edge of each side brace includes slots formed therein to receive ends of the ornament hangers.
- 18. A method as claimed in claim 17 wherein the step of positioning the plurality of ornament hangers includes inserting ends thereof into the slots of inner side braces on the opposing sides.